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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

ROBERTS FINALIST IN MUSIC COMPETITION

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University music major Kimberly Roberts was a finalist in the Sophomore Women's Division at the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) District Auditions held recently at the University of Illinois at Urbana.

Roberts, the daughter of John and Judy Roberts of Salem, was among some 260 students from 23 colleges and universities in Illinois and northern Indiana who participated in the auditions which included preliminary, semi-final and final rounds of competition in different divisions. Finalists were featured in an afternoon concert and received certificates and cash awards.

This was the fifth consecutive district competition in which Eastern had multiple winners. Roberts, a 1991 graduate of Salem Community High School, studies under Jerry Daniels, associate professor of music at Eastern and governor of NATS' Illinois District.

Eastern, located in Charleston, places its highest priority on teaching in its classrooms and laboratories, supplemented by strong academic support services.